

California OES Weather Threat Briefing

Friday, October 23, 2020
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Day 1 (Friday): Strong north to east wind gusts and low humidity will bring another day of critical fire weather conditions to much of northern California today.

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WEATHER KEY POINTS

10/23/20 - 10/29/20

Friday

- Critical fire weather conditions continue for much of northern California through this afternoon
 - Gusty winds and very low humidity will continue today
 - Any new fires could spread quickly under these conditions
- Cooler temperatures for much of the state today

Saturday-Thursday

- Much cooler temperatures for the weekend into early next week, including southern California
- **Widespread strong wind event likely across northern California Sunday into Monday, lingering into Tuesday**
 - **Critical fire weather conditions could lead to rapid spread of any new fires**
 - **Wind gusts of 50-60+ mph likely**
 - **Strongest winds of the season so far expected in some locations, including along the western slopes of the Sierra**
 - **Strong winds could cause damage to trees and power lines**
 - **Very dry humidity expected**
- Moderately strong Santa Ana winds also expected across southern California Monday and Tuesday, but not as strong as those across the north
- Some light rain is possible across portions of southern California and into the Sierra by late in the weekend and early next week, but rainfall amounts are generally not expected to be significant



CALIFORNIA WEATHER IMPACTS

10/23/20 - 10/29/20

| <u>Hazards / Day</u> | FRI | SAT | SUN | MON | TUE | WED | THU |
|---|----------------------|-------------|----------------------|---------------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Non-Thunderstorm Damaging Winds | | | N Inland/ Coastal | All Regions | All Regions | | |
| Snow | | | | | | | |
| Coastal Flooding | | | | | | | |
| River Flooding | | | | | | | |
| Thunderstorms (Wind / Hail / Tornadoes) | | | | | | | |
| Fire Weather (Low Humidity / Wind / Dry Thunderstorms) | N Inland/ Coastal | All Regions | Inland/ Coastal | Inland/ Coastal/ Southern | All Regions | All Regions | All Regions |
| Heat Risk | | | | | | | |
| Heavy Rain / Flash Flooding / Debris Flow | | | | | | | |
| Cold | | | | | | | |



No Impacts



Minimal Impacts



Moderate Impacts



Severe Impacts

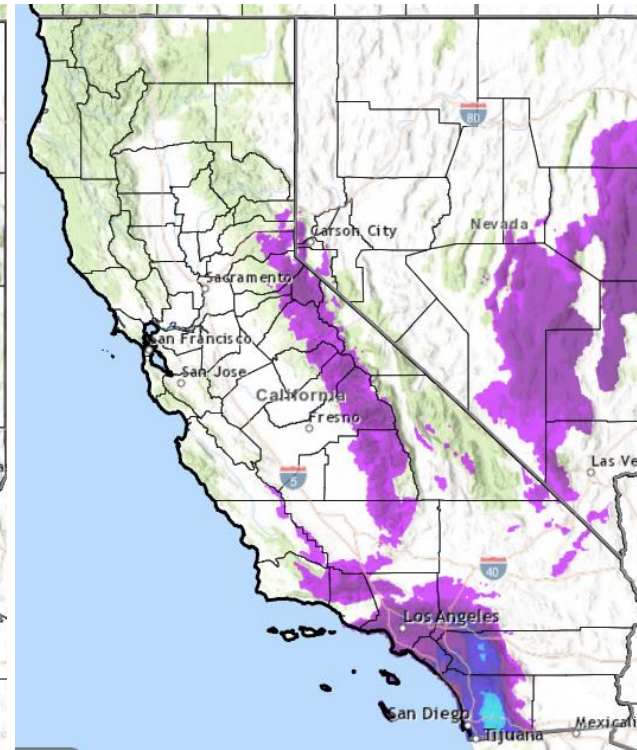
PRECIPITATION FORECAST 10/23/20 - 10/25/20



Friday



Saturday



Sunday

Precipitation (inches)



WEATHER OUTLOOK

10/28/20 - 11/05/20

6-10 Day Outlook (October 28 – November 1)

Temperatures

- Above normal temperatures favored statewide

Precipitation

- Below normal precipitation favored statewide

8-14 Day Outlook (October 30 – November 5)

Temperatures

- Above normal temperatures strongly favored statewide

Precipitation

- Below normal precipitation favored statewide



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